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NECROLOGY

Joseph Bryan, of Richmond Va., a member of the South Carolina Historical Society, died at his home "Laburnum," just outside of Richmond, November 20th, 1908.

Mr. Bryan was probably the best known citizen of Richmond, and was one of the most prominent men in the South. He was born at Eagle Point, Gloucester County August 13, 1845, and was the son of John Randolph Bryan and Elizabeth Tucker Coalter. He was a student at the University of Virginia at the out break of the War between the States, and entered the Confederate Service in 1863, taking active field service in 1864, when he joined Company D. of Col. John S. Mosby's command, and served continuously up to the surrender of Gen. R. E. Lee; he was twice wounded in a Cavalry fight near Upperville Va.

Mr. Bryan was the owner of the Times Despatch of Richmond and was known in his own section as a doer of large things, and there are many large enterprises in the South to-day prospering through his ability and genius for organizing and conducting on a high business plane. Taking charge of the Richmond Locomotive Works he conducted it successfully and continued as managing director after its absorption by the American Locomotive Works. He was also a director in the Southern Railway, and at the time of reorganization of the Equitable Life Assurance Society was selected as one of the directors. He was also a director in the Sloss-Sheffield Company and in the North Birmingham Land Company.

Mr. Bryan was recognized as one of the South's greatest philanthropists.

He married, Feb. 1, 1871, Miss Isabel Lamont Stewart, a daughter of Mr. John Stewart of "Brook Hill," Henrico County, and his wife Mary A Williamson, and had six children.